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Sir:

This is a response to the restriction requirement mailed in the Office Action dated February 17, 2006 in the above-identified application. Applicants elect, with traverse, the Invention Group I (Claims 1 and 3) drawn to a method for the treatment of a disorder of the central nervous system and/or the eye comprising the use of a compound capable of modulating a target gene or gene product. The Office Action set forth a one-month shortened statutory period for reply, as such, Applicants' response is timely filed and is fully responsive to the Office Action.

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